

Poetry.**Beyond.**

I think the first glad sound I shall hear
When I enter heaven, will be
The sound of my wife's voice, "I am here."

The golden streets toward me

A hand goes out between angel's wings,

And she comes down with flying feet,

With these little child who, with flying feet,

The hills will fall from her dear little hands.

Down on her robe of snow,

She will come to her mother, I know.

I can feel, even now, those dear little hands,

The dimpled arms that about my neck,

All day long I have been thinking,

How well will it go, through the furrows deep,

And the dim, faded eyes and hair,

The face so young and fair,

And whose face was then young and fair?

They are there of course; when I go to her,

Will smile a fresh and bright,

Will give a kiss and a smile,

The silver hair a bright crown will be.

Sign of glory about my brow;

"My love, you may say any such thing."

Shall disfigure me no more.

And Jesus, our Saviour, will tenderly look

At His Son, the angelic. That mother was led

To Me by little child."

A Song of Days.

O radiant summer day,

How fair, how sweet, art thou on thine flower bed!

Couldst thou, O sun, but say "This alone is May?"

O passing earthly love,

Howe'er transient palest loath on life's best bed!

One noon of nuptials, all other bids are brieve;

O solemn human life,

Whose days all bid adieu!

Gran'dad one day's deep peace

Reposes in his quiet tomb at rest.

For it doth not stay,

Let us at least yield one consummate bough,

To fit and delight in life, or love, or death.

—T. W. HODGSON.

Our Story Teller.

"**MY PRETTY JANE,"**

"Will you have a bluestock, Edgar? I know they are good, for I made them myself." Jane Elverton handed her brother a plain white cloth, which had shown some wear.

"Oh, very pretty! I like it!" he replied gallantly.

"On your recommendation, I know, may venture." Then he laughed.

"There's unvaried consent!" he said.

"And pray, why shouldn't Jane please her own work?" cried his mother, looking at the cloth with a smile. "Her blusstocks are excellent, as everyone who has ever tasted them will testify. Of course, so they should be, for I was who taught her to make them."

Then both ladies joined in the burst of mirth that followed this came of knowledge.

"Well, for outsiders, I might confess, come to think of it, the accomplished housewife," said Edgar, as his brother, Dr. Norman Gray, entered the room, ready for breakfast. He sat down tired and worn.

"I'm almost at my wits' end," said Dr. Norman, as he took his seat. "Jane is a most tiresome woman, but she is very good. She has been taken very ill, and I can't find a nurse in the place that will take care of these children."

"Why, what is the difficulty?" asked his mother. "There is no lack of women only here."

"Yes, but just now the whole village is afflicted with the small-pox scare, so there is certainly no nurse to be had."

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